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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-14. (patented and still pending herein)

15-17. (canceled)

18. (Pending) A system for stirring paint in an insertable can, comprising:

a can cover with a rotatable paint stirrer;

a can support shelf;

a stirring head positioned above the shelf that engages the stirrer when the can is inserted on the shelf, and

an interference arm extending from above the location of the can downwardly toward the shelf that mechanically interferes with the cover as a stop against rotation in a single direction to prevent rotation of the cover in the same direction of rotation of the stirrer.

a region between the stirring head and the shelf for inserting a can for stirring, the region being free of obstructions that would restrain insertion of the can or the cover to a single orientation on the shelf,

wherein the interference arm is pivotable with respect to the stirring head.

19-21. (canceled)

22. (Pending) A system for stirring paint in an insertable can, comprising:

a can cover with a rotatable paint stirrer;

a can support shelf;

a stirring head positioned above the shelf that engages the stirrer when the can is inserted on the shelf, and

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an interference arm extending from above the location of the can downwardly toward the shelf that mechanically interferes with the cover as a stop against rotation in a single direction to prevent rotation of the cover in the same direction of rotation of the stirrer,

a region between the stirring head and the shelf for inserting a can for stirring, the region being free of obstructions that would restrain insertion of the can or the cover to a single orientation on the shelf,

wherein the can cover includes a pouring spout and the interference arm engages the spout to prevent rotation,

wherein the paint stirrer includes a rotatable drive shaft, and further including an engaging member connected to the stirring head, the engaging member engaging an upper portion of the drive shaft, and

wherein the engaging member is a collar.

- 23. (Pending) The system of claim 22 wherein the collar is a resilient member.
- 24. (canceled)
- 25. (Pending) A system for stirring paint in an insertable can, comprising: a can cover with a rotatable paint stirrer;

a can support shelf;

a stirring head positioned above the shelf that engages the stirrer when the can is inserted on the shelf, and

an interference arm extending from above the location of the can downwardly toward the shelf that mechanically interferes with the cover as a stop against rotation in a single direction to prevent rotation of the cover in the same direction of rotation of the stirrer,

a region between the stirring head and the shelf for inserting a can for stirring, the region being free of obstructions that would restrain insertion of the can or the cover to a single orientation on the shelf,

wherein the can cover includes a pouring spout and the interference arm engages the spout to prevent rotation,

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wherein the paint stirrer includes a rotatable drive shaft, and further including an engaging member connected to the stirring head, the engaging member engaging an upper portion of the drive shaft

wherein the engaging member is connected to a downwardly extending body, and wherein the interference arm is connected to the body adjacent the engaging member.

- 26. (Pending) The system of claim 25 wherein the upper shaft portion includes upwardly extending fingers and the head includes a stirrer driver having a blade articulatable with the fingers to effect rotation.
- 27. (Pending) The system of claim 26 wherein the upper shaft portion includes a plate and the engaging member engages the plate.
 - 28. (canceled)
- 29. (Pending) A system for stirring paint in a plurality of removable paint cans, comprising:

a plurality of removable can covers for respective cans, each cover having a paint stirrer for the respective can that includes a rotatable drive shaft;

a can support shelf for a row of removable cans; and

a plurality of individual stirring heads, one for each can in the row, each individual stirring head being positioned above the shelf so as to engage the stirrer in the cover when the can is inserted with its cover on the shelf, each stirring head comprising a body carrying a rotational stirrer drive mechanism, a portion of said body being shaped to trap the cover in position when the can is inserted on the shelf so that the drive shaft of the stirrer in the cover is drivingly aligned with the rotational drive mechanism in the stirring head, said body further including an interference arm, separate from said portion of said body, that extends downwardly toward the shelf that prevents rotation of the cover as the stirrer rotates by mechanically interfering with the cover as a stop against rotation in a single direction to prevent rotation of the cover in the same direction of rotation of the stirrer and an engaging member for engaging a portion of the drive shaft extending above the can cover,

a region between each individual stirring head and the shelf for inserting a respective can for stirring, the region being free of obstructions that would restrain insertion of the respective can or its cover to a single orientation on the shelf.